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DECLARATION OF FAITH

WE BELIEVE

1. In the verbal inspiration of the Bible.
2. In one God eternally existing in three persons; namely, the Father, Son, and Holy Ghost.
3. That Jesus Christ is the only begotten Son of the Father, conceived of the Holy Ghost, and born of the virgin Mary. That Jesus was crucified, buried, and raised from the dead; that He ascended to heaven and is today at the right hand of the Father as the Intercessor.
4. That all have sinned and come short of the glory of God, and that repentance is commanded of God for all and necessary for forgiveness of sins.
5. That justification, regeneration, and the new birth are wrought by faith in the blood of Jesus Christ.
6. In sanctification subsequent to the new birth, through faith in the blood of Christ; through the Word, and by the Holy Ghost.
7. Holiness to be God's standard of living for His people.
8. In the baptism with the Holy Ghost subsequent to a clean heart.
9. In speaking with other tongues as the Spirit gives utterance, and that it is the initial evidence of the baptism of the Holy Ghost.
10. In water baptism by immersion, and all who repent should be baptized in the name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Ghost.
11. Divine healing is provided for all in the atonement.
12. In the Lord's Supper and washing of the saints' feet.
13. In the premillennial second coming of Jesus. First, to resurrect the righteous dead and to catch away the living saints to Him in the air. Second, to reign on the earth a thousand years.
14. In the bodily resurrection; eternal life for the righteous and eternal punishment for the wicked.

COVER PICTURE

On our front cover is the beautiful Dallas, Texas, church, where Rev. J. L. Summers is pastor. The church is 78 by 90 feet; has elevated floors, factory-made pews, glazed-tile baptistry, P. A. system, beautiful choir, with a special choir for ministers behind pulpit, pastor's study, full-size basement, and 10 Sunday School rooms.

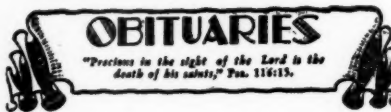
A 5-room house was also bought with the church. Two rooms are used as Sunday School rooms, and the church custodian lives in the remainder of the house. Seating capacity of this beautiful church is over 500. This property is located on a main car line in the heart of Oak Cliff section.

The Sunday School averages around 250, and 50 members have been taken into the church in 11 months. The tithes run from \$600 to \$800 a month. The present membership is 156.—J. L. Summers, Pastor.

NOTICES

Brother Thea Jones' tent will be pitched on the corner of South Main and Waughtown-Clemons streets, Winston-Salem, N. C., for a meeting from August 31 through September 17.

I wish to purchase a copy of *The History of the Church of God*, which I need badly. Anyone who has a copy of this book and would sell it to me,



SISTER TIDWELL PASSES

On August 1, at 5:20 p. m., the spirit of one of the most noble mothers and Christians took its flight to be with its Redeemer, in the person of Sister U. D. Tidwell, known to hundreds as Sister Ruth.

Her death came as a result of eight weeks of serious illness. She was surrounded by her immediate family, relatives, and friends, who did everything they could for her during her sickness, and stood by her in her death, which brought not only sadness to the family, but to the Hemphill Avenue Church, Atlanta, Georgia, of which her husband, Rev. U. D. Tidwell, is pastor.

Seventeen years before her demise, Sister Tidwell was in a dying condition with double pneumonia, and was so sure she was going to be with the Lord and the saints of all the ages that she bade Brother Tidwell and the other relatives good-bye, but in a miraculous way the Lord brought her back from the valley of death to be of untold blessing and inspiration to her husband, children, and friends throughout the years. When, however, this apparent probation had run out, and the actual time for her to go had come, she was submissive to God's will. Although she left the family and friends grief-stricken, they all knew that her departure meant they would have a representative in glory to welcome them upon their arrival.

All who knew Sister Tidwell were impressed with the consecrated, humble, gentle life which she had lived in the Spirit, especially since she received the baptism of the Holy Ghost in Bushnell, Florida, when she was thirteen years old. In June of this year she seemed to get her definite signal that she

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House trailer, 1948, 24-foot American Homcrest, 3 rooms, sleeps 4; electric hot-water heater, electric refrigerator, Butane-gas stove, new tires.—R. L. Platt, Pastor of the Church of God, 6200 Pennsylvania Ave., Nashville, Tenn. Phone 9-6476.

EVANGEL COUNT FOR JULY, 1950

Alabama	913	New Jersey	47
Arizona	44	New Mexico	28
Arkansas	230	New York	60
California	437	North Carolina	3,223
Colorado	31	North Dakota	107
Connecticut	7	Ohio	521
Delaware	43	Oklahoma	348
Florida	1,440	Oregon	38
Georgia	2,937	Pennsylvania	325
Idaho	26	Rhode Island	1
Illinois	282	South Carolina	2,513
Indiana	220	South Dakota	83
Iowa	81	Tennessee	1,184
Kansas	97	Texas	349
Kentucky	820	Virginia	619
Louisiana	354	Washington, D.C.	32
Maine	101	Washington	54
Maryland	156	West Virginia	979
Massachusetts	4	Wisconsin	17
Michigan	479	Wyoming	3
Minnesota	15	Central Canada	16
Mississippi	45	Western Canada	76
Missouri	262	Foreign	300
Montana	73		
Nebraska	26	TOTAL	20,447
Nevada	1		

would not be physically able to continue her active work, which she so much loved, for the church in the Sunday School. A Daily Vacation Bible School was in session, and she taught her class on June 4, which was her last active work. It can rightfully be said of Sister Tidwell, as of Abel, "She being dead yet speaketh," and there is certainly no question in our minds but what the message of the Holy Spirit to John concerning this faith in general could be said of her in particular, "Blessed are the dead which die in the Lord from henceforth: Yea, saith the Spirit, that they may rest from their labours; and their works do follow them."

The first service for Sister Tidwell was conducted by our General Overseer, H. L. Chesser, in the Hemphill Avenue church, and the large, beautiful floral offering spoke for many who could not be present, as well as the packed-out church of friends and loved ones who were present. Practically all the general officials and their wives were present, as well as many other outstanding ministers and friends from far and near. Appreciation also goes to Governor Herman Talmadge, of Georgia, for sending his personal representative to convey his respect to the family.

The last service for Sister Tidwell was conducted by the state overseer of Georgia, Rev. E. L. Simmons, at her home church in Bushnell, Florida.

Surviving Sister Tidwell are her husband, Rev. U. D. Tidwell; two sons, U. D. Jr. and Marcus L.; two daughters, Mrs. R. H. Hughes and Miss Florence Tidwell; her mother, Mrs. Florence Winston, of Bushnell, Florida; one sister, Mrs. George Franklin; two brothers, C. M. and Robert Winston.

NANCY

The death angel came to claim our dear Sister Mae Nancy Wednesday, August 8, 1950. Sister Nancy was a faithful member of the Church of God at Estatoe for 16 years, and will be greatly missed at the church and by her family and friends.—Rev. and Mrs. F. R. Loyell, her pastor and wife.

Editorials...

THE ASSEMBLY ISSUE OF THE EVANGEL

The next issue of the Evangel will carry a coverage of the General Assembly, and I know you will not want to miss it. That issue will also be the last issue of the Evangel to go in the yearbook which will be available to you immediately after the Assembly issue is off press. This yearbook will be constituted by 50 copies of the Evangel. The price will be \$2.00, and since there will be only 500, I suggest that you place your order at once.

CHAPLAINS IN DEMAND

(From information furnished your editor by Department of the Army, Technical Information and Analysis Division, Office Chief of Chaplains.)

Army Appoints First Eskimo Chaplain

Appointment of the first Eskimo chaplain to serve in the Army or any of its components was announced recently by Chief of Army Chaplains (Major General) Roy H. Parker.

The Reverend Percy Ipalook, a member of the Alaska National Guard, has been granted federal recognition and assigned to the 1st Alaskan Scout Battalion, with headquarters at Nome. He holds the rank of captain and is the first chaplain of the Alaska National Guard to win recognition.

Navy Asks Reserve Chaplains to Volunteer for Active Duty

The Navy today, July 28, sent out its first call for Naval Reserve chaplains to volunteer for active duty.

Naval Reserve chaplains in the grades of lieutenant commander and below, and under 50 years of age, are requested to submit applications for active duty to the Bureau of Naval Personnel, Washington 25, D. C. The call is for volunteers only, since reserve chaplains are not being ordered involuntarily to active duty at this time.

USAF Announces Recall of 50 Reserve Chaplains

The Air Force announced today it will recall to duty, involuntarily, 50 Reserve chaplains in the grades of first lieutenant and captain under the age of 42.

Chief of Air Force Chaplain Carpenter announced the agencies agreed to provide the necessary ecclesiastical endorsements for the 50 reserve chaplains to be recalled by the Air Force.

At the same time, Chaplain Carpenter asked the help of the agencies in recruiting 300 additional young clergymen for Reserve commissions, as first lieutenants, to form a reservoir for future Air Force needs.

These men would not be called to active duty until specifically needed to meet USAF requirements.

U. S. Army Chaplains in Korea

Chaplain (Capt.) Arthur E. Mills, 35, of 709 Hickory Street, Santa Ana, California, was with a 1st Cavalry Regiment in Korea when he heard an officer remark that a group of wounded Americans had been cut off by enemy troops in an isolated area and might have to be abandoned. With the remark that "This is the way we did it in the last war," the chaplain jumped in a jeep and headed toward the isolated area. Details of his one-man expedition have not yet been received in Japan, but it is known that he arrived back hours later with his jeep loaded with wounded. He is one of the several score U. S. Army chaplains now with American Forces in Korea who are helping observe traditions of the Corps of Chaplains on its 175th Anniversary by providing the wounded with spiritual comfort and aid.

Under the Geneva Convention, chaplains perform their duties as noncombatants and do not carry arms.

Chaplain (Capt.) Herman G. Felhoelter, 323 E. Catherine Street, Louisville, Kentucky, has been awarded the Distinguished Service Cross for his "valorous deed that was an inspiration to every member of his regiment." He voluntarily remained behind to assist seriously wounded men who could not be evacuated during the Kum River battle. When last seen, Chaplain Felhoelter was still administering to wounded of the 19th Infantry Regiment and 24th Division.

Chaplains in Korea are doing their job as are the men in every staff section and at the front, according to Chaplain Bennett, who returned from Korea last week end after personally ascertaining requirements of the chaplains and the men they are serving.

During the Revolutionary War, local clergymen accompanied their village boys and men when they went off to join the American Militia. In the years since then the phrase "Bravery under fire" has become a part of the history of U. S. Chaplains.

HE GAVE HIS SON TO SAVE A SON

A number of years ago I had the happy privilege of becoming acquainted with a very consecrated man by the name of Friddle, who made a sacrifice that has made John 3:16, "For God so loved the world, that he gave his only begotten Son, that whosoever believeth in him should not perish, but have everlasting life," more vivid and precious to me than that made by any other person under my observation.

Brother Friddle was a delivery man for a big company store in Greenville, S. C. While he was making a delivery with his Dodge truck, a little boy dashed out into the road right in front of him. He swerved the truck to the

left in an effort to save the child's life. The right front door of the truck flew open, spilling his little son, who was about the same size and age of the little boy that he missed by swerving, and throwing him against the curb where his little head was crushed by the rear wheels of the truck. I visited with Brother Friddle during this sad hour, but in the depth of his grief he had this to say, "Since it has happened, I had rather it be like this, despite the fact that I loved my baby more than tongues could tell." Is it not true that for God to give His only begotten Son to die for us simply means that the love that moved Him to make this sacrifice was greater, as Brother Friddle said, than words can express? Surely Brother Friddle lived up to the great commandment, "Thou shalt love thy neighbor as thyself." In fact, he put his neighbor first. We need more fathers with Brother Friddle's attitude.

LIFE'S GREATEST MISTAKE

The modern pollster we have with us always. A recent survey by the American Institute of Public Opinion put this question to a cross section of our adult population: "Everybody makes a mistake now and then. Will you tell me what you consider to be the biggest mistake of your life so far?"

The answers revealed that 22% stated that their greatest mistake was in not getting enough education; 10% affirmed that their marriage was their worst blunder; and 8% avowed that their worst error was a wrong choice of career; 7% admitted business errors; and 6% admitted personal problems: drinking, temper, and the like.

Strange, but none of them thought of saying their worst mistake was in not accepting the Lord Jesus Christ as their Saviour and submitting to His Lordship; and yet, beyond question, the only real tragedy of life is for a man to die unsaved! There will be an eternity to regret that mistake. Rather live on bread and water and have Christ than to live on the fat of the land and die unsaved.—*Christian Victory*.

A FATHER DEFINES FAITH

Mary asked, "Father, what is faith?"

The father found himself surprised at the question and, even though he was a Christian and Sunday School worker, he was agitated, so he said, "Now, darling, suppose you let Daddy think out our question, then I'll answer you."

The next day the father was in the cellar and he heard Mary playing in the hall. He called to her. The answer was, "Where are you, Daddy?"

"Here in the cellar, sweetness."

When she reached the trap door she asked again, "Where are you, Daddy?"

"Right down here, honey. Come on, jump, I'll catch you."

"But, Daddy, I can't see you."

"No, Mary, but Daddy sees you. Jump."

"But, Daddy, it's dark down there."

"Yes, honey, but Daddy's arms are stretched out to catch you. Now, will you jump?"

She did.

Oh, for that faith that will keep our confidence strong in Jesus Christ to know that "I know whom I have believed, and am persuaded that he is able to keep that which I have committed unto him against that day," 1 Tim. 1:12.

The Voice of Conscience vs. the Word of God

By J. C. Vore, Box 1003, Clarksburg, W. Va.

Collier's Encyclopedia says the conscience of man "is that innermost faculty that enables him to distinguish right from wrong as regards one's actions and motives, and enjoins one to conformity with moral law."—Vol. 1, page 309.

Man has been endowed with a voice, a face, and a conscience. His voice is naturally and normally capable of being cultivated or trained to the extent that he may become a very fluent speaker or able to sing like a nightingale. Or, it may be the very opposite, because of the lack of care or practice. Nevertheless, it is the same old and only voice he has ever had in his lifetime. Our face may be dirty, covered with freckles or pimples, or need a shave, yet it is our only one, and it is our responsibility to take good care of it.

Our voice or our face may not have much to do with our peace in eternity, but man's conscience can very well have a lot to do with it.

The compass is a very ingenious and useful instrument in the hand of man when in perfect working order and handled properly. But that tiny magnetic needle which always points to the north will surely fail to do so if it gets jarred off or removed from its place on the top of a slender pivot upon which it was designed to rest and revolve. If the glass tube of the thermometer on the wall is broken, and the mercury loses, or the tube is out of line with figures on its face, that thermometer has ceased to be a dependable indicator of heat or cold, and is just a "has been." Our watch may say 11 a. m. when the correct time is 3 p. m., but that does not change the time of day. It is proof that the watch is either out of order or we failed to wind it or give it proper attention. For the present, at least, that watch is no timepiece at all.

The conscience of man functions as GOD has designed that it should ONLY when it, too, is in good working order, and too often it is not.

If we allow dust or fog or any other foreign substance to accumulate on our spectacles, our vision will, at once, become obscured, and we are very likely to call an "H" an "M," or the very opposite. I know of nothing we can call foreign to the Spirit of GOD that is more likely to hinder the true working of a conscience "void of offence toward God and man" than the universal sin of selfishness, or just plain old dishonesty. In conversation with a certain preacher who used tobacco, I asked him if he was ever condemned for it. He said if his conscience ever condemned him he would quit. I very naturally reminded him that the Word of God had already condemned such things. 2 Cor. 7:1.

I know that habits are strong things, but reasonable obedience to the Word of God will surely break their chains and set the captive free.

An old proverb says, "A boy who will steal a penny in his youth will steal a pound in his manhood." We may wind and set an alarm clock to awake us at a certain time, and as long as we obey it and get up and go our way it will continue to wake us up, but if we just turn over, shut it off, and go back to sleep, it will most surely cease, finally, to awake us at all.

One might think or reason that one small drink could not hurt much, but it is a fact that one drink calls for another, and the only sure way NOT to become a victim is to just refuse the first drink offered.

Not long ago a young lady convert was telling me how the evangelist had "stepped" on the congregation for using lipstick, rouge, and make-up in general, till when they looked in the glass they did not see their real selves at all, but that he did not say anything about wearing jewelry. The poor child had about all the gypsy junk on that she had room for, unless it would have been a ring in her nose. I asked her to read 1 Tim. 2:9, also 1 Peter 3:3. She said she would, and if her conscience condemned her she would take it off.

Sometimes our conscience is such and such altogether because of what we have been taught through human reasoning, leaving the plain Word of God out. If we should depend on our conscience, and it alone, there would be grave danger of failing to reach the pearly gate. It is polite and proper at times to be considerate of others who entertain ideas not altogether in conformity to or with the plain teachings of Jesus. We well realize that God is no respecter of persons (or nationalities), but we surely do know that He certainly is a RESPECTER OF SPIRITS. A true child of God has a teachable spirit, and if approached according to Gal. 6:1; namely, "in the spirit of meekness," by a spiritual person, much good may be accomplished and no one hurt.

No other approach measures up to the plain Word of God or can have real results in restoring the one at fault.

We need not be surprised to find the conscience of the criminal underworld so defiled and seared by modern communistic ideas, or other means, that their own oath-bound lies on the witness stand would utterly fail to record the real facts in the case on the delicate indicator of a modern lie detector. When the conscience of man is so out of order and stained by the marks of sin that it calls "right" wrong and "wrong" right, it becomes a liar as much as Satan himself, and

our being guided by it in that condition can only lead our poor deceived souls to the regions of the damned forever.

Satan can and will, if we allow him, do us all manner of harm, but the most blessed consolation today for the child of God is the personal knowledge that there is a most dependable, all-sufficient, and everlasting Guide for all from this world of sorrow and disappointments to the land of eternal day, unbounded joy, and sweetest peace, for **THE DEVIL AND HIS CROWD WILL NOT BE THERE.** That perfect Guide is none other than the precious Holy-Ghost-inspired, heaven-sent Word of God, written by holy men of old for our admonition and enlightenment, and not one of its many promises has ever failed to be carried out to the letter when man met its very reasonable conditions. "A rock in a weary land and a shelter in the time of storm."

"Regardless of all that may be said or done by all the vast army of atheists, agnostics, infidels, and skeptics, the blessed life-giving Word of God will continue to stand and operate among men as a mighty, towering, shining mountain of eternal truth, from the summit of which God's mighty voice, through His written Word, will be heard thundering, echoing, and reverberating down through the corridors of time and around the entire globe, even unto the very hearthstone of every humble home in the land. Matt. 5:18 speaks of the perpetual existence and limitless authority of the eternal Word of God, which, as ever, shall set as the COURT OF LAST RESORT, the one from which there never can be an appeal. The HOLY BIBLE is the only book in the world whose author will come on the scene to defend it, if and when necessary.

If Satan could only remove just Heb. 13:8 from the Bible, he could make many more people believe the days of miracles are past. As long as there is an abiding faith in the earth, there certainly can and will be miracles wrought in the midst of His people. A definite knowledge of the Word of God and obedience to it will fill our hearts with an unshaken faith in God and give us a constant love for Him, His service, and His people. The days of revivals are over only for the church worker who is backslidden in heart, and God's true children still have a countless host of benefits from His hand for which to thank and praise Him.

The commission of Jesus to His apostles was **PREACH THE WORD.**

In a grammatical sense, the word "the" means all and only, because it is a definite article. Nothing short of declaring "the whole counsel of God" will ever persuade men to be **ONE IN HIM.**

Foreign Missions

Every Creature
All the World—



J. HERBERT WALKER, SR.
Executive Missions Secretary

God Still Blessing in Guatemala

A letter telling of a recent trip, at which time God saved nine souls.

Dear Brother Walker:

We have just returned from a trip north. The direction from here running to the Atlantic is north, and the little narrow gauge railway runs north to the Port of Barrios. We got on a sidetrack down there and got to our destination, where we held our Conference. Two had already been saved when we arrived. In the Sunday evening service six more accepted the Lord, and one was reclaimed, which made nine souls for the Lord. We came back the way we went in order to have another meeting along the railway, and the next day got on home to the capital.

We had in our company five other people, with the pastor of the local church here, who were travelling in the interest of the Young People's Endeavor. They moved on to one town farther to have another meeting in another place. Up to now we haven't heard what their success was after we left, whether or not they had some more souls for the Lord. We know

we had the nine mentioned above. Thank the Lord!

It was terribly hot down that way, and we got bit up some with the little animals that like to feed on the foreigner's blood. We had enough welts on us to give a problem in mathematics. After it is over we feel better about it, for we know it was for His glorious cause. Amen!

It is amazing how the little engines pull the train of cars over these mountains. They are continually swerving around the bends and climbing up until you can see the railroad many times in the valley below, which would seem to be another line and not the one on which you are travelling. The tourists enjoy travelling over this line because of the scenery and the strangeness of it all.

We ran into some Jamaicans down there, with whom we conversed freely in English, and they were in two of our services in the same town.

May God richly bless you in your service for Him.

Sincerely,
Thomas Pullin

Virgin Island Revival in Two Languages

Although Brother and Sister Summers do not speak the Spanish language, they have begun preaching through an interpreter and are reaching numbers of Spanish people. They are arranging one service weekly in Spanish. God is honoring the work. Read his account of their meetings.

Dear Brother Walker:

Christian greetings. This letter is to let you know just how things are going here in Saint Thomas. We are so very happy for the way the Lord has been blessing. A week ago Sunday night the altar call was given at the close of the service, and three Puerto Rican ladies gave their hearts to the Lord and are going on for Him. These ladies are of the same family that two young men come from, who were saved several weeks before.

Then last Tuesday night we had a street meeting in a downtown area where there are many who don't go to church. I had our colored brother who

joined us several months ago to do the preaching. It was a wonderful service. The people were so attentive to the Word. When I gave the altar call at the close of the service, a young man came forward. He got a wonderful experience with God right there in the street, and testified to the same.

We have started something new here in the church which we expect to be a great blessing—that is to have a Spanish service once a week. There are quite a number of people here who can't speak English; then there are some who prefer Spanish to English, since it is their native language. We had a little service in our home a week ago to see if all would go well, as we don't speak Spanish. We took one of our new Puerto Rican converts, who is on fire for God, for our interpreter. He says everything that I say, and that fluently.

Last night was our first service in

the church. I wish you could have been here to enjoy it with us. The people were a bit skeptical until they got to singing and testifying, and when the message was delivered by interpretation, three young men came to the altar. After we prayed with them and the glory of salvation had struck their souls, you should have heard them testify. We are trusting God for a real moving of His Spirit and a great revival. It is not all as easy as it may seem; in fact, there are some who are bitterly opposing us, but God is on our side, and if God be for us, who can be against us?

Rev. and Mrs. Luke R. Summers,
St. Thomas, Virgin Islands

NOTICE

Dear Evangel Readers:

You have, no doubt, often wondered what methods were employed by the missionary on the foreign field to win souls—and how you may assist him in his sincere and Christ-loving efforts.

There are many ways by which we work, and oftentimes our methods are quite foreign to those used at home.

We find that to provide plenty of good Christian reading material is an important and indispensable channel through which we may both attract and win the people.

Reading materials are scarce, especially such as we have in America. We are anxious to open reading rooms for the people and should appreciate any individual, class, or institution sending us good books and magazines, either new or used. We can also use gospel tracts in English, Greek, Hebrew, or Arabic, also French.

We should also appreciate having your picture rolls when your Sunday School has finished with them. The people here are glad to have such pictures as your picture rolls or religious calendars have on them. They will frame the pictures and hang them in their houses.

We also have many uses for the catalogues from the various mail order houses, such as Montgomery Ward or Sears. These need to be current. Almost anything which you may send us along this line will be of great help in our work.

Include as many helpful books as possible, whether it be one or a dozen. We shall let you know from time to time how your contribution along this line has helped the people.

Your Missionaries in the Bible Lands, D. B. and Myrtle Hatfield, 30 Dem Severis, Nicosia, Cyprus.

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Revivals

TELEGRAM

We are having the greatest revival in the history of the Church. Up to now 35 have been saved, some sanctified and filled with the Holy Ghost, and some united with the Church, with more to come. There have been as high as 10 saved in one night. We can't seat our people on week ends. Pray for us. Rev. J. E. Smeltzer is the evangelist.—D. H. Stewart, Vidalia, Ga.

BOONEVILLE, Miss.—We have had a wonderful revival conducted by Rev. and Mrs. Jeremiah Jenkins, of Covington, La., in which the Lord blessed in a great way. Brother Jenkins brought forth some wonderful, inspirational messages which blessed souls each night. Fourteen were saved, 12 sanctified, 7 filled with the Holy Ghost, 4 baptized in water, and 7 added to the church. Thank God for sending them this way. We appreciate our good pastor and his wife, Brother and Sister J. B. Lindley—Joan Ricketts, Reporter.

COLQUITT, Ga.—We have just had a five weeks' revival at the Church of God at Boykin. Brother D. W. Mills, of Cairo, Ga., did the preaching for the first two weeks, during which time 1 was saved, 1 filled with the Holy Ghost, and our church wonderfully blessed by his preaching. He is truly a man of God. Sister Lois King, of Winter Haven, Fla., did some good preaching the last three weeks of the revival, during which time 15 were saved, 7 sanctified, 8 filled with the Holy Ghost, and 2 added to the church. We appreciate our good pastor, Brother L. C. Allen. We are now building a parsonage here at Boykin, and God is certainly blessing our church.—Mrs. V. A. Brown.

TERRE HAUTE, Ind.—A youth revival is now in progress in Terre Haute. We were privileged to have with us Rev. W. O. Boheler, of Columbia, S. C., for a series of divine healing services the week end of July 29, 30. A number were healed and 6 were saved during Brother Boheler's visit with us. So far in our revival, 8 have been saved, and others are under deep conviction.—Nadyne Clouse, Pastor.

COOPER HEIGHTS, Ga.—We just had a wonderful revival at the Cooper Heights Church of God, with Brother W. K. Livingston as evangelist. Twenty were saved, 4 sanctified, 1 filled with the Holy Ghost, 11 baptized in water, and 2 added to the church. The church was greatly blessed by Brother Livingston's preaching and singing.—Edmond Bell, Pastor.

The Church of God at Wurtland (formerly Indian Run), Ky., closed a two weeks' revival August 6, 1950, with Brother and Sister Ray Hixenbaugh in charge. Great interest was shown

in the meeting and large congregations from other churches were present. Four were saved, 2 sanctified, and the church greatly uplifted. Brother and Sister Hixenbaugh also conducted a two weeks' Daily Vacation Bible School while here, which was greatly appreciated by all. The children were much interested.

The church at Wurtland, which was formerly located at Indian Run, Ky., is on the move for God. We have a nice Sunday School and Y. P. E. and have won both district banners in these departments. God is wonderfully blessing with old-time services, with the Holy Ghost leading. We have a nice new church building 35x45 feet, with full-size Sunday School rooms in the basement. There is blessed unity and fellowship among the saints and God is blessing. Anyone desiring a good evangelist will do well in contacting Brother Hixenbaugh.—W. G. Lighte, Pastor.

LYNCHBURG, Tenn.—On April 20, 1950, I started services in this new field near Lynchburg, Tenn. Many souls have been saved, sanctified, and filled with heaven's sweet Holy Ghost since that time. We have organized a Sunday School and Y. P. E., and have around 44 in Sunday School and a nice attendance for Y. P. E. We also have a Willing Workers' Band. On August 1, with the district pastor, Rev. Calvin Wigley, in charge, the new church was set in order with 15 members. We have been holding services in Sister Olena Smith's home, but have a tent ready to be put up. Brother Wigley appointed me as pastor, and I desire your prayers that I shall be a blessing in this new field.—Mrs. Lillian Coldwell, 109 Myers Street, Shelbyville, Tenn.

BONIFAY, Fla.—We have just had a great revival here, which ran for four weeks. Around 15 or 20 were saved, several sanctified, 4 filled with Holy Ghost, and 9 added to the church. We appreciated the preaching done by our good evangelist, Sister Kenola Hightower. We also appreciate our good pastor and his wife, Brother and Sister Lester Camp.—Mrs. W. O. Stevenson.

HAZEL GREEN, Ky.—We are happy to report a good revival. Twelve were saved, 7 sanctified, 4 filled with the Holy Ghost, 3 added to the church, and 6 baptized in water. Rev. Edward Treadaway, of Beattyville, Ky., was our evangelist; he is a wonderful man of God. Anyone desiring a good evangelist would be fortunate to get him.—Clerk of Church, Callie Moore.

CRAMERTON, N. C.—I am sounding a note of praise for the great revival we have just had at the Cramerton Church of God, with Brother J. A. Lewis, of Tampa, Fla., doing the preaching. We had not planned another revival before the Assembly, but God started dealing with our pastor regarding this revival, which he told the church about and requested that they pray about it. Everything worked

out perfectly, with Brother Lewis coming our way at this time, and he was engaged for the revival. Brother Lewis did some fine preaching, and God certainly did bless. One Methodist brother received the Holy Ghost and joined the church, and a Presbyterian young lady was saved, filled with the Holy Ghost, and joined the church. Ten were saved, 7 sanctified, 7 filled with the Holy Ghost, 6 baptized, and 3 joined the church. We certainly praise God for all His blessings to us here in Cramerton.—Eunice Smith, Box 983.

MAPLE HOLLOW, Tenn.—We are reporting the greatest revival in the history of the Maple Hollow Church of God, which was held during the month of June, with Rev. James N. Layne as evangelist. Twenty-seven were saved, 30 sanctified, 30 filled with the Holy Ghost, 28 baptized in water, and 24 added to the church. Since the revival 6 have been saved, 2 sanctified, 2 filled with the Holy Ghost, and 12 baptized in water. For the month of June our Sunday School average was 135 and our Y. P. E. 188. We thank God for blessing us and giving the good increase. Rev. Layne is one of our best evangelists; he can be contacted at Lee College.—Ross Redden, Pastor.

WESTMINSTER, S. C.—We have just had a revival at the Conners Church of God, with Eugene McCall as the evangelist. The Lord blessed, especially in one service when the mighty power of God came down in a wonderful way. One old lady came to the altar crying and praying, asking for prayer. The Lord wonderfully saved her soul and it was a wonderful time. Some were saved and the Christians revived. Pray for us.—Pearl Wood, Clerk.

SPARTA, Tenn.—A wonderful revival was conducted here with Rev. Albert Batts doing the preaching. We thank God for a man that will preach the truth as Brother Batts did. We appreciate our good pastor, Brother Ted Moore, and family. He is truly a man of God.—Mrs. Douglas Bain, Rt. 1.

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THE CHURCH OF GOD EVANGEL

National Y. P. E. Drive

Ralph E. Williams

One thousand and forty-seven saved, 526 sanctified, 422 baptized with the Holy Ghost, and 432 added to the Church is the heart-warming, soul-thrilling news we can give you about the National Y.P.E. Contest that closed a few weeks ago. Almost 200 churches entered, and the complete success of the drive will never be known in its entirety until we sit around the throne in that celestial city and hear the words of the redeemed souls who wept their way to Calvary during this drive.

Each Y.P.E. endeavored to place soul-winning as its first interest and labored untiringly to attain its goal. The reports were amazing, and floods of joy swept over my soul as I read the numerous glowing accounts of their efforts all over the Nation. Some of the greatest youth revivals the Church has ever known came as a result of this drive. Many churches whose Y.P.E.'s were somewhat on a standstill once more have a large group of young people with a fervent desire to work for Christ. An impressive number of subscriptions to our church publications was secured, and it is with godly pride that we think of these papers going into homes in every walk of life, month after month, with a message of salvation and redemption.

This contest not only helped the youth departments of these churches, but all other departments as well. The attendance and offerings more than doubled in many churches, and many homes were visited with a real word picture of the living Christ brought to them by consecrated Church of God young people.

Listed on this page you will find all Y.P.E.'s winning prizes and others that won honorable mention. Read this list and rejoice with us over the new souls who have left the ranks of Satan and started on their way to heaven.

More than seventy souls prayed through to Christ. Our young people felt the impact of this revival campaign for youth. Our finances increased, along with renewed interest in other activities of the youth work.—Harold Douglas, Dillon, S. C.

The National Y.P.E. Contest was a spiritual uplift to our young people and also to our entire church.—E. E. Winters, Hamilton, Ohio.

Our young people met and organized a prayer chain of eighteen hours a day previous to the contest. We stressed evangelism in our drive, and our report shows that we had a marvelous increase in our youth department.—Ray Hughes, N. Chattanooga, Tenn.

We went at the drive with the sole attitude of lost youth, and our young

people are happy over the young people who prayed through and became members of the Church of God.—Bill Hildreth, Johnson City, Tenn.

I am grateful to God for the results of the National Y.P.E. Drive. It has already meant so much to our church, and the end is not yet.—Williams Richardson, W. Louisville, Ky.

Having a contest brought enthusiasm; enthusiasm of members brought new people who never attended our Y.P.E. before—together we worked for Christ and His cause.—La Verne Selman, Salem, Oregon.

Looking back over the results of our drive, I feel, and so do our youth, that if the drive were to be repeated, we would use the same "all-out evangelistic effort." We learned beyond a doubt that when we put God and the salvation of souls first, He will add all the other things needed. The judgment alone will reveal the results of the National Y.P.E. Drive here. Thank you again and again for the stress you placed upon "spirituality," for it helped us to get the vision we needed for this, the greatest youth revival I have ever witnessed, or any other revival for that matter, and it was conducted absolutely by local youth.—Mrs. H. L. Hunt, Honea Path, S. C.

NOTICE OF CORRECTION

On receiving additional information and after further investigation, it was revealed that a mistake had been made in the previous announcement in the Bulletin, of the prize winners for the National Y. P. E. Drive. We regret this error and trust it has not caused too much inconvenience.

PRIZE WINNERS

GROUP A

Church	Pastor
Cincinnati, Ohio	Luther Turner
Dillon, S. C.	Harold Douglas
Hamilton, Ohio	E. E. Winters

Group B

Church	Pastor
N. Chattanooga, Tenn.	Ray Hughes
Johnson City, Tenn.	C. M. Taylor
Carrollton, Ga.	Joe Cleghorn
Jasonville, Ind.	J. R. Eason
Sanford, N. C.	H. B. Turlington
Porterville, Calif.	Edward Harrison
S. Spartanburg, S. C.	Linwood Jacobs
Bristol, Tenn.	Colon Dunn
Dartigo, La.	Clois Stunch

Group C

Church	Pastor
Honea Path, S. C.	H. L. Hunt
Charleston, S. C.	L. W. McIntyre
Springfield, N. C.	L. N. Fuiett
La France, S. C.	George J. Johnston
Dallas, Texas	J. L. Summers
Pine Bluff, Ark.	Floyd L. Ramsey
Graysville, Tenn.	Joe Rymer
W. Louisville, Ky.	Wm. Richardson, Jr.
E. Detroit, Mich.	W. Carl Milligan
Salem, Oregon	E. A. Trieth

HONORABLE MENTION

Daisy, Tenn.	Lake Odessa, Mich.
Whitwell, Tenn.	Monroe, Mich.
Empire, Ala.	Shingleton, Mich.
Henderson, N. C.	Willow Run, Mich.
Highland View, Fla.	Parma, Missouri
Laurel Hill, N. C.	Ashboro, N. C.
Uhrichsville, Ohio	Autryville, N. C.
Landis, N. C.	Brasstown, N. C.
Greenville, S. C.	Clyde, N. C.
Homestead, Fla.	Hazelwood, N. C.
Jacksonville Heights, Fla.	Nealsville, N. C.
Marianna, Fla.	N. Wilkesboro, N. C.
Naples, Fla.	Vass, N. C.
Nocatee, Fla.	Akron, Ohio
Rifle Range, Fla.	Belmont, Ohio
Wildwood, Fla.	Camden, Ohio
Winter Garden, Fla.	Columbus, Ohio
Columbus, Ga.	Magnolia, Ohio
La Grange, Ga.	Marion, Ohio
Oakview, Ga.	Cleveland, Ohio
Pelham, Ga.	Oak Hill, Ohio
Roswell, Ga.	Sidney, Ohio
Thomson, Ga.	High Spire, Pa.
Tifton, Ga.	Johnstown, Pa.
Toccoa, Ga.	Allenport, Pa.
Childersburg, Ala.	Edgewood Grove, Pa.
Oak Grove, Ala.	Cheraw, S. C.
Parkwood, Ala.	Hickory Grove, S. C.
Pine Hill, Ala.	Jefferson, S. C.
S. Red Level, Ala.	Lake City, S. C.
Windsor, Ontario, Can.	McCall, S. C.
Lawrenceville, Ill.	McCormick, S. C.
Jefferson, Iowa	Orangeburg, S. C.
Coffeyville, Kansas	Ware Shoals, S. C.
Winfield, Kansas	York, S. C.
Cawood, Ky.	Lemmon, S. Dak.
Corbin, Ky.	Fountain City, Tenn.
Ola, La.	Coltswah, Tenn.
Shady Grove, La.	Mt. Hermon, Va.
Applegate, Mich.	Norfolk, Va.
	Caples, W. Va.
	Hiawatha, W. Va.

A WALK THROUGH A STRANGE VILLAGE

Life is like a walk through the streets of a strange village. I use "village" in my analogy rather than "city" because of the brevity of life; it doesn't take long to go from one end to the other. The Bible reads thus, "Life is a vapor that appeareth for a while and is gone." It doesn't take a long time to get to the very heart of the village; after passing a filling station or two one arrives at the main store. A child soon grows up, finishes school, reaches the very prime of life, buys a few pleasures, and passes on; a few more stores, another filling station, and one sees the rolling hills looming up in the distance.

Then, too, a stranger in a village is the object of nearly all the eyes of the villagers as they gaze, wonder and inquire of their neighbor as to who he is. He is accepted very slowly, and as cautiously, and one wrong move from the stranger and he is done for.

So it is with life. One must fight for recognition, have patience with a society that is slow to accept, and about the time one gets adjusted to a desired society, it is time to go, for one is walking, not standing still, and after all, it is only a village.

—Rev. Leonard Newton.

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THE PASTOR AND HIS

By J. D. Bright

IT MAY have been the opinion of many of us preachers when we first started our venture in the ministry that we would need only one book, the Bible. If so, I am sure that long since we were convinced differently and were brought to the full consciousness of the fact that we not only needed the Bible, but many other books, also, in our library. It is a fact that the Bible is Book Number One. It was Book Number One when we started in our ministry, and regardless of how long we have been engaged in the ministry, it is still Book Number One. Our sentiment is akin to that of Jeremiah, "Thy words were found, and I did eat them; and thy word was unto me the joy and rejoicing of mine heart: for I am called by thy name, O Lord God of hosts," Jer. 15:16. Then, to add to our fondness of the Bible and determination to give it first place in our minds, hearts, and libraries, we are reminded that God not only approves such an attitude, but expects us to maintain it, as set forth in Josh. 1:8, "This book of the law shall not depart out of thy mouth; but thou shalt meditate therein day and night, that thou mayest observe to do according to all that is written therein: for then thou shalt make thy way prosperous, and then thou shalt have good success." The assurance, in the last words of this verse, of not only success, but good success, is conditioned upon our giving the Word of God a permanent place in our hearts as ministers, and then, of course, we are able to impart it to others. In fact, our responsibility is to "preach the word," and we should always have a Pauline attitude toward ministering the gospel: "For I am not ashamed of the gospel of Christ: for it is the power of God unto salvation to every one that believeth; to the Jew first, and also to the Greek," Rom. 1:16.

It will be well for us, as Pentecostal ministers, to remember that "faith cometh by hearing, and hearing by the word of God," and this will be a matter of inspiration to us in reading God's Word, as well as preaching it to others. There are times when we shall have battles to fight more difficult than those fought by any lawyer who depends on and is versed in the Constitution of the United States; but we can win, for our weapons of warfare are not carnal, but are mighty to the pulling down of the strongholds of Satan. The Bible is the "sword of the Spirit," and Heb. 4:12 tells us what a great weapon it is, "For the word of God is quick, and powerful, and sharper than any twoedged sword, piercing even to the dividing asunder of soul and spirit, and of the joints and marrow, and is a discerner of the thoughts and intents of the heart."

A full knowledge of God's Word

qualifies a person to do successful combat, not only with atheists, infidels, skeptics and false teachers, but the devil himself; for it was through Christ's knowledge of the Word and His ability to say, "It is written," and, "Man shall not live by bread alone, but by every word that proceedeth out of the mouth of God," that He overcame the devil. Therefore, to be efficient and capable representatives of this indispensable Book, we should have a book by book, chapter by chapter, and verse by verse knowledge of it. If so, we shall never suffer the embarrassment that a young minister did when a conductor on a train noticed his Bible on his lap and said, "Young man, I presume from that Book you are a minister of the gospel." The young man proudly answered, "Yes." Then said the conductor, "You should know quite a bit about that Book then. What is the first verse?" The young minister thought but could not remember. "What is the middle verse?" the conductor asked. The young minister thought again but could not remember. "Well, then," said the conductor, "what is the last verse?" The young minister said, "Now I have read all the verses, but I can't remember them," to which the conductor said reproachfully, "You are a pretty looking preacher going out to preach from a book that you know neither heads nor tails of."

Therefore, although we shall notice that the Pentecostal preacher's library must include many books, we must keep in mind that the Bible is the Greatest Source Book in the world and that all great preachers have been indefatigable scholars of this Book of books. Dr. James L. Vance summarizes its literary value thusly, "The Bible is not only many books; it is literature, history, poetry, prophecy, philosophy, theology, oratory, humor, sarcasm, irony, music, drama, tragedy, strategy, love tales, war tales, travelogues, laws, jurisprudence, songs, sermons, warnings, and prayers. Was there ever such literature? The Bible begins with a garden and ends with a city. It starts with a morning followed by a night, and ends with a day that shall know no night. It breaks the silence with 'In the beginning,' and it hushes the universe to sleep with 'The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ be with you all.'" There are many splendid versions of the Bible, and I am not suggesting which one you shall use, but I say that it would be good for you to have a number of the versions of the Bible.

THE PREACHER'S REFERENCE BOOKS

It was Abraham Lincoln who said, "I will study and get ready, and some day my chance will come." He turned a deaf ear to his pretended friends who told him he was wasting his time

"reading and learning." His chance did come, the great chance to serve the United States as its President, and he was prepared. He had proved Sir William Jones' statement, "Read and you will know," and a minister will remember that Paul's exhortation to Timothy was, "Give thyself to reading." It has been properly said that there are two kinds of knowledge, "what we know and what we know where to find in our books." As proof that Paul cherished books, remember what he wrote to Timothy, "The cloke that I left at Troas with Carpus, when thou comest, bring with thee, and the books." As the wife is a helpmeet to the husband, so are reference books auxiliaries to the Bible and helpers to the minister.

First of all is the dictionary, and, whether you prefer the unabridged Webster, the Funk and Wagnalls, or some other dictionary, your library is incomplete without a standard dictionary; in fact, it is good to have several. Along with the list, *Roget's Thesaurus* is indispensable in that it gives synonyms and antonyms and so much other help. Another indispensable dictionary is that on the Bible, and whether your choice would be *Peloubet's Bible Dictionary*, or some other, you should not be without a Bible dictionary. Then, perhaps in the same section of your bookcase, you would place a good encyclopedia, the *Britannica*, or the less expensive *Funk and Wagnalls' New Standard*. Then there should be the very best Bible concordance, right along with the very best sets of Bible commentaries, such as *Matthew Henry's, Expositor's Bible*, *Adam Clarke's, The Abingdon Commentary*, *Hodge Theology*, *The Treasury of David*, *Spurgeon, Hastings' Christ and the Gospels*, *Apostolic Church*, *Dictionary of the Bible*, *Dr. Harry E. Rimmer's Modern Science and the Genesis Record*, *The Theory of Evolution and the Facts of Science*. To this another must for the minister's reference books would be a good Bible encyclopedia. One of the best is *The International Bible Encyclopedia*. A few more volumes such as "Who's Who in America," *World Almanac and Book of Facts*, *Unabridged Atlas and Gazetteer*, *Familiar Quotations*, would put us well on the way toward what we need in the way of a well-balanced reference library for the minister.

According to a survey, the average American spends twenty-seven dollars for chewing gum to every one dollar for books. A good question to ask ourselves, as ministers of the gospel, is, "How much money have I spent for books in the last year or decade?" We should remember and heed Paul's exhortation, "Study to shew thyself approved unto God, a workman that

D HIS BOOKS

needeth not to be ashamed, rightly dividing the word of truth," 2 Tim. 2:15. "For if a man think himself to be something, when he is nothing, he deceiveth himself. But let every man prove his own work, and then shall he have rejoicing in himself alone, and not in another," Gal. 6:3, 4.

SERMON SOURCE BOOKS

Most of us ministers have studied, no doubt, "How to Prepare Sermons," by Evans, while others have been privileged to study other textbooks on homiletics, such as "Preparation and Delivery of Sermons," by John A. Broadus; "The Pastor Preacher," Bishop Quale; "The Work of Preaching," Hoyt; "Art of Preaching," Brown; and "Concerning the Ministry," by Oman; and we have found in these books valuable help in preparing messages, especially on short notice. Dr. Elijah P. Brown, in his book "Point and Purpose in Preaching," says, "The man who is not always in school, trying to learn something from everything and everybody, will soon be dried up and stored away with the other mummies. The man who graduates and stops there will soon be able to take his collar off over his head."

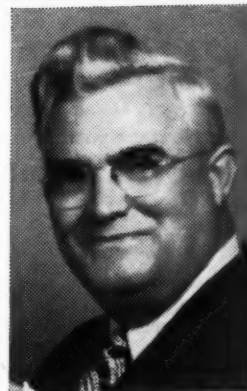
Among the many habits that a minister must guard against is the habit of waiting until the last minute to look about for thought-food to help him in preparing a message. The preacher who becomes thus habituated will be a constant disappointment to his flock until the time comes that his denominational supervisors are unable to find a charge for him, and that, of course, won't be very long. On the other hand, one of the best habits a minister ever formed was that of reading extensively the books that tend to enrich his mind and heart with sermon material, and then it is much easier when he is impressed with a subject to assemble thoughts appropriate for the sermon, and that without being rushed or strained. Of all the people who sit in the congregation and listen to a minister preach and who should actually take his sermon home with him point by point, it should be a fellow minister. Not only that, but many a minister's life is enriched when he reads sermons from the pen of other ministers who have had years of experience in the various fields of ministerial activity. These sermons should be read and made one's very own, and when I say this I do not mean that a person should try to memorize these sermons so as to give them verbatim, but to work them in the messages as the Holy Ghost impresses him to preach. One should certainly not be a copy cat; above all, never try to mimic or imitate another minister. The fact is known to all that there are very few thoughts, if any, that any preacher

could expect to get a patent on as being the originator of, so we might as well be content to borrow the thoughts of others and put them in our own words, with our own personality and expression, with sincere thanks in our hearts, if possible, and on our lips, to the thought benefactor, and especially with a sincere prayer in our hearts that God will make our efforts at passing the thoughts on to our audiences the blessing they should be.

As ministers of the Pentecostal faith, we find ourselves somewhat limited in our selection of books for our libraries, and especially source books of sermonic material. Yet, if we are overcautious and become too prejudiced, we shall indeed have but few books in our library at all, since there is a great scarcity of books written by truly Pentecostal authors. Therefore, a good policy to follow is to purchase a book if there is only a limited amount of good, usable information in it, with the attitude that the Japanese evangelist expressed after hearing Billy Sunday, the great American evangelist. While at dinner he was asked what he thought about his sermon, to which he replied, "Ladies and gentlemen, I have learned that when eating cherries for dessert to lay the seeds beside my plate." After all, there are very few authors who expect everybody to agree with everything they write; therefore, none of us should feel called upon to believe, much less pass on to others, a lot of the things that we read. Use the good and cull the bad.

THE READY PREACHER

The reason some ministers are always ready to speak at a moment's notice is due to the fact that they are constantly preparing sermons, even though they may not have to deliver over two or three a week. And the reason, on the other hand, some ministers are perplexed, perturbed, and nervous when called on to speak on short notice is that they have not, as yet, formed the habit of prayerfully preparing sermons constantly, in addition to the regular sermons they know they are to preach. In order to do this a minister must keep himself surrounded with books—and read them. I am reminded in this connection of the reply made to a fellow preacher by Dr. Wm. L. Stidger, of Boston University, when lecturing to a group of preachers in Kansas: "I told that audience that I had read an average of a book a day during all my ministry, which was true, and I still do. But one old brother in that audience seemed to doubt it: so, in the open forum which followed, he sarcastically yelled at me: 'Young fellow, you say that you read a book a day—which I doubt; but all I gotta say is that the average preacher hereabouts doesn't read a book a month!'



J. D. Bright

Then the old preacher sat down, and in the words of John D. Snider, 'Acted as if he had settled something or other.' Then I said, 'And, my brother, that is exactly why he would be the average preacher—or the average doctor, or the average lawyer—or the average anything in professional life.' It may indeed be true that many of us can not find time and opportunity to read a book a day, but certainly we should never let a week go by without reading at least one or two books as auxiliaries to our regular Bible reading. It is a grand and glorious privilege that we have to be ministers, and the calling is without repentance. When God called you to preach, He meant business, and you will either be an industrious, live-wire preacher, a lazy, indifferent preacher, a preacher true to God to the end to eventually rejoice with the preachers of righteousness of all ages, or a preacher to lament and weep and wail with all the false prophets in the regions of the damned. The last does not have to be, and should not be the lot of any preacher.

In conclusion, may I give you Dr. B. H. Carroll's attitude toward a minister's calling and life, to which I feel every preacher of Pentecostal faith will say, "Lord, this is my attitude, too." "I magnify my office, O my God, as I get nearer home. I can say more truthfully every year, I thank God that He put me in this office; I thank Him that He would not let me have any other; that He shut me up to this glorious work. And when I get home among the blessed on the bank of everlasting deliverance, and look back toward time and all its clouds, and sorrows, and pain, and privations, I expect to stand up and shout for joy, that down there in the fog and mists, down there in the dust and in the struggle, God let me be a preacher. I magnify my office in life; I magnify it in death; I magnify it in heaven; I magnify it, whether poor or rich, whether sick or well, whether strong or weak, anywhere, everywhere, among all people. Lord God, I am glad I am a preacher, that I am a preacher of the glorious gospel of Jesus Christ."

Reports

FROM THE FIELD

ARKANSAS STATE CONVENTION AND CAMP MEETING A GREAT SUCCESS

Ministers and laymen of Arkansas, as well as visitors from other states, met in a great camp meeting at Forrest City, Ark., July 17-23, inclusive. The services from the beginning were wonderful and those who attended unanimously agreed that Brother L. L. Hughes, the state overseer, capably directed each service. Great good was accomplished by the camp meeting in the promotion of the Church and the gospel in Arkansas. Attendance was considered better than ever before at any former camp meeting in the state.

Our General Overseer, Brother H. L. Chesser, was present for two days. His message to the Church and ministers was very inspiring, and, no doubt, all of us will be more zealous to work for God than ever before. May God bless our General Overseer.

Each morning service featured Brother Sisk, a teacher from our International Preparatory Institute, bringing timely lectures on vital Church doctrines. He is a great church theologian and a capable lecturer and teacher.

Visiting ministers also included Brothers R. R. Hughes, pastor at Las Vegas, Nevada; C. E. Richard, pastor at Memphis, Tenn.; S. B. McCane, pastor at Salem, W. Va.; T. M. McClendon, overseer of Louisiana; J. L. Byrd, overseer of Mississippi; and J. H. Walker, Executive Missions Secretary, who brought a wonderful message and report on "Foreign Missions."

The last service of the camp meeting was a great mission service. Brother Hughes, the state overseer, brought the message, which God confirmed by the Holy Ghost, and a mission offering of approximately \$600. Praise God for making the camp meeting such a success!

Brother L. L. Hughes is a wonderful man of God and a capable state overseer. The Church of God is moving forward in Arkansas, and under such a responsible and efficient leader as Brother Hughes it has a chance to climb from the Class C rating into the Class A position.—Evangelist Raymond S. Pringle, Reporter.

PENNSYLVANIA YOUTH CAMP GREAT SUCCESS

The second Youth Camp was held in Somerset, Pa., with Rev. M. G. McLuhan and staff of workers from North Dakota in charge. Since Brother McLuhan has been connected with Bible schools the last few years, we felt we had a competent man as our supervisor. Sixty students attended, and it was not just a two weeks' school to have a good time, but was

far-reaching in its spiritual effects, with 11 being saved, 9 receiving the Holy Ghost, and a number joining the Church.

Brothers Sam and Dale Peterson and Julian Wolfe, the three young men with Brother McLuhan, proved a great blessing to the Youth Camp with their lives of consecration and their good singing.

The closing exercises will be long remembered. The choir did some splendid singing and the ringing testimonies proved that a Youth Camp pays. Tears were shed by the students and audience as the presence of the Lord came down in such a sweet manner during the program. We, in Pennsylvania, are proud of our youth, and now we look forward, if the Lord tarries, to next year, knowing that great things are ahead.—Lourenna Moreland, State Youth Director of Pennsylvania.

CHURCH IN PELHAM, GA., BLESSED WITH POWER OF GOD

PELHAM, Ga.—The Church of God at Pelham is being blessed with the presence and power of God in our services. We praise God for His goodness to us. We thank Him for our pastor and his wife, Brother and Sister Willie Thomas. They are doing a good work. Pray for us.—Mrs. Joe C. Sellers.

REVIVALS

YAZOO CITY, Miss.—We praise God for a wonderful revival conducted by Brother A. C. McKaig. Eighteen were saved, 11 sanctified, 11 filled with the Holy Ghost, 11 baptized in water, 8 added to the church, and many received definite healings. Deaf ears were unstopped, some healed of arthritis, some healed of rupture and other diseases. It seems that everyone's faith was strengthened. Brother McKaig is a wonderful man of God and any church would do well to get him for a revival. We are also thankful for our good pastor and his wife, Brother and Sister H. C. Glisson. They have been an inspiration to all. They have won people through love and good deeds and have a mind to work. The church has had a gain of 26 members since they came here about a year ago. We have a new parsonage almost complete, and plan to build a new church in the near future. Pray for us that God will continue to pour out His Spirit in our midst.—Mrs. W. J. Taylor.

PULASKI, Tenn.—We thank the Lord for a great revival recently held here with Rev. J. W. Leatherwood and co-worker as the evangelists, assisted by Rev. Syrrrell F. Crumpton, pastor. Thirty-seven were saved, 27 sanctified,

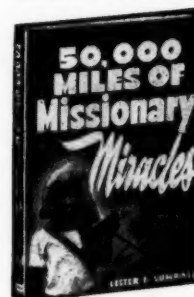
16 baptized in water, and 22 added to the church, and a great number praying for the Holy Ghost every night. It was certainly the most successful revival in the history of the church. Pray for our good pastor and that God will continue to bless the church and souls will be saved.—G. B. Woodard, Clerk.

W. MIDDLETOWN, Ohio.—We are happy to report the best revival ever conducted here, with Sister Mattie McIntosh, of Franklin, Ohio, doing the preaching. Thirty-seven were saved, 15 sanctified, 10 filled with the Holy Ghost, 6 baptized in water, and 6 added to the church. This is a new work here. We are all thankful for our good pastor, Brother Ed Lawson, and his wife. They are doing a fine work here and the Lord is blessing us in a mighty way. Our Sunday School is increasing in every department. We are planning for a new church building soon. Pray for us.—Mrs. Virginia Isibel.

TUTWILER, Miss.—A revival has just closed at Rome with a wonderful success. Brother Mack Newton was our evangelist, and he did some wonderful preaching. The singing by him and his wife was also enjoyed very much. There were 11 saved, 6 sanctified, 5 filled with the Holy Ghost, and 3 added to the church. The church members were greatly encouraged to press on.—Mrs. Leona Tharp, Reporter.

HARRIS, Ky.—A great revival just came to a close here with Brother Ray Hixenbaugh as evangelist. He did some good preaching, and the Lord blessed in a mighty way. Three were saved, 2 baptized in water, and 1 added to the church.—Mrs. Nellie Mawk, Clerk.

SHORT MOUNTAIN, Tenn.—I recently closed a revival at the Short Mountain Church of God with 10 saved, 9 sanctified, 6 baptized with the Holy Ghost, 7 added to the church, and a number healed by the power of God. The revival is being continued by Rev. A. R. Parker, the pastor.—O. M. Bell, Pastor of Loudon Church of God, 918 Rosedale Avenue, Loudon, Tenn.



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Some Things to Think About

THE NOTHINGS

By J. D. B.

ONE

I Cor. 5:6, "Your glorying is not good. Know ye not that a little leaven leaveneth the whole lump?"

A town in Nebraska had its first crime in twenty-two years when a transient attempted to steal a pair of shoes. He was run out of town.

TWO

Mark 9:6, "For he wist not what to say; for they were sore afraid." Two New England tribes of Indians were plunged into war because two little boys quarrelled over a grasshopper.

THREE

The invention of nothing was one of the greatest of mathematical conceptions. The zero made computation possible.

FOUR

Exod. 8:19, "Then the magicians said unto Pharaoh, This is the finger of God: and Pharaoh's heart was hardened, and he hearkened not unto them: as the Lord had said."

The ocean consists of one sheet of water. A complete system of circulation exists in the ocean. Consequently, a movement of any part of its water is definitely related to the rest of it. Therefore, it can be moved by one little finger. God used just one finger to rescue the Israelites. Then should we fail to trust Him?

FIVE

Gen. 30:30, "For it was little which thou hadst before I came, and it is now increased unto a multitude; and the Lord hath blessed thee since my coming: and now when shall I provide for mine own house also?"

The famous plow inventor, Jethro Wood, carved his first models out of raw potatoes. Where there is a will there is a way. It is possible that our success depends on using some insignificant thing in our possession.

SIX

Ps. 37:16, "A little that a righteous man hath is better than the riches of many wicked." Thomas Davenport modeled his first successful model electric railway out of silk strips which he took from his wife's wedding dress and insulated into the motors.

One of the greatest demonstrations of ability is shown in one's ability to use whatever may be his resources in a practical manner.

SEVEN

Prov. 30:28, "The spider taketh hold with her hands, and is in kings' palaces."

In Boone, Iowa, a spider crawled through a crack in a glass container on a train control device, spinning a web between the contact points and putting the instrument out of commission. It caused the tie-up of three trains. The spider is to be admired for its energy and thrift, yet it is to be feared because of its poisonous bite. So also do we have to fear some little things that try to creep into our lives.

EIGHT

Mal. 3:11, "And I will rebuke the devourer for your sakes, and he shall not destroy the fruits of your ground; neither shall your vine cast her fruit before the time in the field, saith the Lord of hosts."

The ladybird saved California's entire citrus crop. The ladybird was imported to fight a scale insect destroying the citrus fruits, and this bird virtually wiped out the parasite.

NINE

Josh. 22:17, "Is the iniquity of Peor too little for us, from which we are not cleansed until this day, although there was a plague in the congregation of the Lord?"

A tame cow, killed by Indians after she strayed from an emigrant wagon in Wyoming, 1854, started the Sioux Indian War, which lasted about forty years.

TEN

The first storage battery built cost \$3,000,000. This is created power produced by the genius of man. But the power given to the minister to serve the church and the lost friend and foe comes from God.

Matt. 28:18, "And Jesus came and spake unto them, saying, All power is given unto me in heaven and in earth."

ASHAMED OF THE "COMICS"

The man who started the comic books in 1932 is ashamed of his accomplishment. Harry

I. Wildenberg, sales manager, Key West, Fla., says, "I don't feel proud that I started the comic books. If I had had an inkling of the harm they would do, I would never have gone through with the idea. I'm glad parents and educators are waking up to the menace of the comic books."—The Pentecostal Evangel.

10,000 DOPE ADDICTS IN CHICAGO

According to State's Attorney Boyle, "Ten thousand dope addicts, who steal to buy narcotics, are roaming the streets of Chicago, and no one is doing anything to stop them."

Police Commissioner Prendergast said the average narcotic addict steals from \$6 to \$40 a day to satisfy his cravings. If the narcotic traffic continues at its present pace, millions of dollars each year will be stolen from Chicagoans, and some citizens may be slain by drug addicts.

WORLD POPULATION

The United Nations reports that the population of the world, based upon 1947 totals, is approximately 2,320,000,000. Never before has the population been so great—and never before have there been so many people on the earth without Christ.—Pentecostal Evangel.

A MILLION AN HOUR FOR DRINK!

According to a report by the Woman's Christian Temperance Union, more than a million dollars an hour is spent for alcoholic drinks in America.

Miss Violet T. Black, of Evanston, Ill., treasurer of the WCTU, said the hourly rate for drinking by Americans was found by dividing the number of hours per year (8760) into nearly \$9,000,000,000 spent annually for intoxicants in this country. Declared Miss Black: "This money, wasted for a product which is mankind's greatest enemy, would finance the building of 100 acutely-needed homes, costing \$10,000 each, each hour of the day or night."

THE STRANGE CASE OF GEORGE WILSON

In 1829 two men—Wilson and Porter—were convicted of robbing the United States mails, and sentenced to death by hanging. Three weeks before the time set for Wilson's execution, he was pardoned by President Andrew Jackson.

Strangely enough, Wilson refused the pardon. The case went to the Supreme Court (United States vs. George Wilson, 7 Peters' Report, p. 150) and the court finally handed down its decision: "A pardon is a deed, to the validity of which delivery is essential, and delivery is not complete without acceptance. It may then be rejected by the person to whom it is tendered; and if it is rejected, we have discovered no power in this court to force it upon him."

Most people would agree that Wilson was a fool for refusing to accept a pardon, yet these same people daily reject the pardon which God has provided for them.

Because God is just, He must punish our sins. But because God is merciful, He Himself suffered the awful penalty when Jesus Christ, His Son, suffered all the wrath of God against our sins as He died on the cross of Calvary. "For God so loved the world, that he gave his only begotten Son, that whosoever believeth in him should not perish, but have everlasting life."

Your pardon has been signed by God Himself. Now all you need to do is accept it by telling God in prayer that you wish to be counted among those for whom Christ died. Unless you accept the pardon, you remain condemned.

Wilson was a strange case. But then, Wilson was a fool.

—Western Voice.

THE COMMUNIST IDEAS

1. Abolition of property in land and application of all rents of land to public purposes.
2. A heavy progressive or graduated income tax.
3. Abolition of all right of inheritance.
4. Confiscation of the property of all emigrants and rebels.
5. Centralization of credit in the hands of

the State, by means of a national bank with State capital and an exclusive monopoly.

6. Centralization of the means of communication and transport in the hands of the State.

7. Extension of factories and instruments of production owned by the State, the bringing into cultivation of waste lands, and the improvement of the soil generally in accordance with a common plan.

8. Equal liability of all to labor. Establishment of industrial armies, especially for agriculture.

9. Combination of agricultural with manufacturing industries; gradual abolition of the distinction between town and country, by a more equable distribution of the population over the country.

10. Free education for all children in public schools. Abolition of children's factory labor in its present form. Combination of education with industrial production, etc., etc."

Karl Marx and Frederick Engels, *The Communist Manifesto*, New York Labor News Co., 1948, pp. 32, 33, 34.

—Ester Andersen Steen.

A SLOGAN GONE WRONG

When the Russian revolution was about to sweep the Czar from the throne, it needed a slogan. It found one. It found one about which the revolutionists could unite with enthusiasm. That slogan was "Workers of the World Unite. You have nothing to lose but your chains."

The revolution won. Millions of those very workers were liquidated. They lost their chains and gained death. At least ten million of them are today slaves in Russia. They cannot organize. They cannot contend for higher pay or shorter hours. They cannot ask for a share of the wealth of Russia. To so much as question the leaders of Communism in Russia would mean certain death.

The moral is: Watch your slogans! Words sometimes mean far more than they say.

—Methodist Challenge.

In the old days, the man who saved money was a miser; nowadays he's a wonder.

—Sunshine Magazine.

Ah, for those good old days when Uncle Sam lived within his income—and without most of ours.

—Barclay Braden in Coronet.

WHEN?

When may I cease to love missions?

When I have ceased to love Him;

When the Father no longer loves sinners,

When the stars in their paths have burned dim;

When the blossoms no longer need showers,

Or the wild birds their sheltering nests;

When men have no need for a Saviour;

When time ceases flying and rears;

When brotherly love has encompassed

The earth and all men are as one;

When Jesus is loved and exalted

In all lands where shineth the sun;

Then may I rest from my labors,

For missions their course shall have run.

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CHRISTIAN SCIENCE...

Is It Christian or Science?

Christian Science has three main teachings: (1) Principle—Divine mind, God love, truth, etc., "the absolute allness of God." (2) Mortal Mind—error, illusion, nothingness. There is no sickness, no physical body, no pain, etc., except as illusions. (3) Demonstration—getting yourself to believe the foregoing ideas and constantly affirming that they are true, and acting accordingly.

(1) Christian Science denies that the Bible is the authentic, fully-inspired, infallible Word of God. Mrs. Eddy said, "The Bible has been my only authority," but her teaching reveals that she only pretends to agree with the Bible that she might, on the Bible's reputation, gain acceptance of her own system of teaching. 2 Tim. 3:16; Isa. 8:20; 2 Peter 1:21.

(2) Christian Science denies the personality of God. "God is a principle, an impersonal Being. As this principle is all that is good, there is not anything that is not good. Things that appear to be evil are not real, they simply 'appear.'" The Bible says God is the Author and Creator of all law. How then can He Himself be a law or a principle? The Bible declares God to be a Person able to will, to speak, and to act. Gen. 1:1; 3:9; Jer. 18:7,8; John 4:24.

(3) Christian Science denies the true doctrine of Christ.

(a) His incarnation. Mrs. Eddy claims that Jesus was merely an idea—"The offspring of Mary's self-conscious communion with God." Luke 1:30-35; John 1:1.

(b) Christian Science denies that Jesus died as an atonement for our sin. "The efficacy of the crucifixion lay in the practical affection and goodness it demonstrated, for the blood of Jesus was of no more avail when it was shed upon the cross than when it was flowing in His veins in daily life. He came to save men from believing they were sinners. Man is already perfect."

Isa. 53:5; Eph. 2:8, 9; Rom. 3:23, 26; Eph. 17. Curse of God. Gal. 1:1, 3, 4, 8.

(c) Christian Science denies the deity of Christ. "Jesus was not God's Son in any other sense than as every man is God's son." John 1:18, 10:30; Col. 2:9; Matt. 16:6.

(d) Christian Science denies the resurrection of Jesus. "To accommo-

date Himself to immature ideas of spiritual power, Jesus called His body flesh and bones." Luke 24:39; 1 Cor. 15:15-21; John 1:14.

(e) Christian Science denies the ascension of Jesus. "The eternal Christ and corporal (bodily) Jesus continued until the Master's ascension when the human concept of Jesus disappeared, while His spiritual self, or Christ, continued to exist." Acts 1:9; Heb. 4:14; Heb. 7:22, 25; Acts 1:11.

(f) Christian Science teaches that the second coming of Christ is the awakening from illusion to truth. Acts 1:11; Rev. 1:7.

(4) Christian Science denies the true doctrine of sin. "Man was, is, and ever shall be perfect." This was also taught by the Hindu religion 2000 B.C., India, where sacred temples are filled with immorality, and is an example of the results of this doctrine. Gen. 6:5; 1 John 1:10; Rom. 3:23; 1 Tim. 1:15; Ezek. 8:4.

(5) Christian Science denies the Holy Spirit. "This Comforter I understand to be Divine Science." John 14:16. Science is impersonal, but the Holy Spirit is a person able to will, to know, and to feel. John 16:7; Acts 5:3, 4. The Holy Spirit is God. Acts 8:18, 20. Mrs. Eddy imparted Divine Science,

which she claims is the Holy Spirit, for the sum of 800 pounds for twelve lessons. 1 Cor. 3:16.

(6) Christian Science denies the existence and personality of Satan. "The devil is the unreal evil of false and mortal mind." Jesus, then, must have been tempted by the false belief in His own mind. Matt. 4:1-11. How, then, could He be divine? John 8:44; 1 Peter 5:8, 9; Rev. 20:10; Job 1:8, 9. God talked with the devil.

(7) Christian Science teaches that angels are only pure thoughts from God. Gen. 19:11; Matt. 28:2-4; Acts 12:7; Matt. 13:49; Jude 6.

(8) Christian Science denies the privilege and power of prayer. Prayer is petitioning God to do some definite thing by means of His supernatural power. In Christian Science, "Prayer is not a petition; it is simply an affirmation. Prayer to a personal God is a hindrance and may lead into temptation. God is not moved by the breath of prayer to do more than He has already done. Sin, sickness, death, sorrow, etc., are due to a perverted imagination; correct the imagination and they will disappear." 2 Kings 20:1-6; James 5:16.

(9) Christian Science denies death. "Man is immortal and the body cannot die." Heb. 9:27; John 11:14.

(10) Christian Science denies a future judgment. That "no final judgment awaits mortals" might be good news, but the denial does not change the fact. Heb. 9:27; Rev. 12:15.

—Selected.

Humility

By EVILEE ROBERTSON, STUDENT, LEE COLLEGE

The subject of humility is distasteful to many people and most especially to young people. Young people like to think of doing great things, and have high ideas as to what to attain in their lifework. The services that are lowly are not pleasant visions for the future. However, after you have accepted the Lord Jesus and the Holy Spirit has come into your heart, then you have the Lord Jesus for your Pattern and He is your Example in humility.

Our Lord was born in humility. He left His heavenly Father's home that He might come down to earth a little child, too weak to do anything for Himself. He was born into a humble family and grew up in a humble little home. I wonder if you and I have ever thought of the contrast of the two homes of Jesus Christ? In His heavenly home He had riches and glories that were far beyond our imagination. He was the Son of God the Father, and the saints who had gone

to be with the Lord worshiped and praised Him. On earth He was in the human form of a carpenter's son. He was just a little boy from a humble home, unnoticed by any except the neighbors in Nazareth. Certainly, He was born in humility.

He loved humble people. Wherever Jesus went, the farmers and fishermen, with their families, would gather around Him. He spoke to them in words they could understand, and His parables were always taught in relation to familiar scenes and incidents in the lives of human people.

Whenever you and I are inclined to look down upon poor people, to turn from those who have had fewer opportunities than we ourselves, we must remember that Jesus loved just such people while on earth, and loves them still. He is not looking at earthly possessions or cultures or education. He "looketh upon the heart," and if you would follow His example, you will
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Testimonies...

McRAE, Ga.—The Lord has done such great and wonderful things for me. He has done for me what no other friend could ever do. He convicted my soul one day, washed it with His blood, and made it clean for the Holy Ghost. The enemy makes it hard for us sometimes, but we have the promise of the Father with us. I praise the Lord for His healing power. He has healed me so many times.—Lorene Boyd.

DILLON, S. C.—I truly praise the Lord for His healing power. I praise Him for healing a growth on my left hand. I also praise Him for healing my baby.—Mrs. Nellie Berry.

JESUP, Ga.—Truly I love the Lord. He has blessed me in so many ways I can't begin to tell them all. I thank the Lord for a Christian home. I thank Him for His healing power. I trust the Lord for both soul and body.—Mrs. F. R. Brissell.

TROY, S. C.—I praise God for His healing power. Brother Thea Jones came to Greenwood sometime ago and held a healing service. He prayed for my afflicted daughter, and she was healed, for which I praise the Lord.—Mrs. Mae Jennings.

TICE, Fla.—I truly thank the Lord for what He means to me. I thank Him for healing power. He has done so much for me.—Mrs. J. R. Renfro.

FARMERSVILLE, Ill.—I thank the Lord for saving me almost three years ago and showing me the way of holiness, also for sanctifying me over six months ago. He healed me of a serious intestinal disorder in March and of two head colds since then. I am trusting Him to heal my body that I may enter full-time service for Him.—Mildred E. Dunham.

On Saturday night, June 3, the Lord instantly healed me of a serious kidney infection from which I had suffered for several days. I was unable to sleep, and the pain was so severe I was hardly able to walk. Within a few minutes after a prayer of faith, my body was at complete ease, with all pain and most of the soreness gone. I truly praise God for this wonderful deliverance. He is my Healer, and my faith has been increased.—Joeldine Lawson.

SHAW, Miss.—I praise God for what He is to me. I love the Lord, and it is my heart's desire to live for Him. The Lord has blessed me in my body, and I am better than I was a month or so ago. I know God is able to completely heal me. I want to live so close to Him that I can touch the hem of His garment.—Mrs. J. B. Greenlee, Box 362.

I praise the Lord for everything. I praise Him for the Holy Ghost and for healing me. Pray for my family.—Mrs. C. W. Ledford.

NEWPORT NEWS, Va.—I am a young boy eighteen years of age. I was born again four years ago in a big tent revival. Not knowing anything about separation from the world, I continued taking part in the things of the world and never knowing the joy of my salvation. One year ago this month I surrendered to God's call for me to preach His Word. Then I felt a definite sense of separation and stopped taking part in the things of the world. It was then that God started using me. I truly laid my life on the altar for God and started seeking His will for my life. God has given me many souls this past year. But even though God was blessing me daily, there was something inside me hungering after more of God. Being brought up in a Baptist home and converted in a Baptist meeting, I didn't know a thing about sanctification and the Holy Ghost. I heard about a revival in a local holiness church and decided to go. When I came out of that church, I was confused and didn't know what to do. I knew if God had something more for me, I certainly wanted it. I returned to the meeting the following Friday night and when I left this time I was riding in a cloud. I went to the altar that night and God sanctified me and baptized me with the Holy Ghost. I joined the Church of God three weeks ago, and I have been close to God these three weeks.—Earl Hoggard, 150 County Line Rd., Cope-land Park.

SWITCHBACK, W. Va.—I praise the Lord for healing me when I placed the *Evangel* on my body and prayed. I desire the prayers of all Christians.—Donald Vaughn.

MARION, Va.—I thank the Lord because He saved, sanctified, and filled me with the Holy Ghost and fire. He is also blessing my husband and our two oldest sons. I praise Him for hearing and answering prayer. He has healed in our home many times. He has done for me and my family what no man can do.—Mrs. Howard Whisman.

MOORESVILLE, N. C.—I praise the Lord for victory in Jesus. In December, 1947, I was operated on and a cancer was removed; the doctor said it had spread to my liver. I stayed in the hospital one month. The doctor told my people he would just patch me up and let me go home, that maybe I could live six months. A few months later I went to Brother Thea Jones' healing campaign and he prayed for me. About two weeks ago I had an X-ray made and the doctor said he

could not find anything, that my liver was good. Today I am keeping house for my husband and five children, and I am praising the Lord for it. Wednesday night I received the sweet Holy Ghost, thanks be to God. We are serving a God who can hear and answer prayer.—Mrs. W. Marion Smith.

MINE La MOTTE, Mo.—I am happy in my soul because Jesus is my Saviour. I am glad He loved me enough to convict me of my sins, and save, sanctify, and fill me with the Holy Ghost. He's been my Healer nearly thirty years, and I praise His name forever.—Julia Lindsey.

CHICAGO, Ill.—I thank God for healing me. I was anemic and had spent a lot of money going to doctors, but they didn't help me much. Rev. L. G. Rouse was at our church and I had him pray for me. God instantly gave me a blood transfusion. I could feel the blood filling my veins. I truly thank God for this miracle healing.—Mrs. Frances Newton, 6440 South Normal Blvd.

STIRRAT, W. Va.—I truly praise God for saving my soul and for the blessings He has bestowed on my family. I thank Him for healing my two babies at different times and for healing me of boils.—C. J. McCoy.

NEON, Ky.—I thank God for healing me of an awful fear I had. I was always afraid I was going to die, and my life was miserable, but, praise God, He has delivered me. I also praise Him for healing me when I was very sick the other night, and for healing in my home.—Mrs. Vivian Gibson.

OUR GUEST



Irene Wales, editor and copyreader, Church of God Publishing House.

...Obituaries...

MCLEOD

Mrs. Lizzie McLeod passed away July 4, at the age of fifty-four. She was a member of the Church of God at Vaughn's Chapel, near Milan, Ga. Our loss is heaven's gain. She leaves to mourn her parting her husband, three brothers, five sisters, and a host of friends.—Mrs. J. L. Best.

RITTER

Rev. Jona Ritter, of Hinesville, Ga., departed this life July 8, at the age of fifty-eight. He was a faithful member and minister of the Live Oak Church of God and had many friends and loved ones. He had a fatal accident while on his way to camp meeting. He had been a member of the Church of God for twenty years and trusted the Lord with his body. He left his wife, three sons, three daughters, sixteen grandchildren, and one sister. The funeral was conducted by Revs. Odom and Swilley.—His daughter, Mrs. Gertrude Snipes.

NEWMAN

J. S. Newman, of Kennedy, Ala., departed this life July 14 at the age of 72 years. He was a faithful member at Coady Church of God for about 28 years. His funeral was conducted by Rev. V. A. Coker. Our loss is heaven's gain.—Newman Family.

HOWARD

Sister Nannie Howard, Loyall, Ky., was born April 29, 1904, and died July 22, 1950, at the age of 46 years, 2 months, 23 days. She had been a member of the Church of God 6 years. Her death was caused by T. B.; she had not spoken above a whisper for about 14 months. Her suffering was great, yet she bore it with patience and had a smile and word of encouragement when visited. She was one of the most devoted Christians I have ever known. She is survived by her husband, Roy Howard, and 6 children, her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Joe Long, 5 sisters, and 1 brother.

Her funeral was conducted at the Church of God in Loyall by Rev. Glenn Kramer, her pastor, and Rev. D. C. Kelley, pastor of the Pentecostal Church in Loyall.—Mrs. Ebbie Garrett.

Heard ye not, ye weary pilgrims,

Of the blessed Lamb of heaven?

This may not mean so much to you,

As with my pen I write.

But it means so very much to me;

It makes my spirit bright.

I've known so many joys

My grief is overthrown.

With loving deeds and kindly words,

He gave His life for you and me,

My friends to me have shown.

I've known a lot of sorrow

As on my way I've trod,

But there has been more sunshine

Sent by the Son of God.

As I stand in the shadows

I feel His presence near,

And as I enter the valley

His loving voice I hear.

Jesus, I am growing weaker,

And the days and nights seem long.

Will you not, my Saviour, listen,

Listen to my evening song?

Thou hast loved me, tho' as unworthy

As poor wretch could be;

Thou didst seek me, Thou didst find me,

Thou didst bind my heart to Thee.

Now I'm longing for Thy coming,

As Thou said that Thou wouldst come,

Some bright day—noon, night, or morning—

To take all Thy children home.

Wash me, Lord, and make me ready;

Let my garments spotless be.

Let me labor in Thy vineyard,

As I wait, dear Lord, for Thee.

Bless my precious darling loved ones;

Save them by Thy matchless grace.

Make them workers for Thee, Master,

While they run this pilgrim race.

Written by Sister Nannie Howard while on her deathbed.

CONIPE

George Louis Conipe, son of Mr. and Mrs. John Conipe, went to be with Jesus August 7, 1949, at the age of 11 years. He is survived by his parents, 3 sisters, and a host of friends. His funeral was conducted by Rev. F. R. Loyell.

COLGAN

On July 3, 1950, J. P. Colgan passed on to meet his Maker, and will be greatly missed by his relatives and friends.—Rev. Anna L. Colgan, wife of deceased, and Family.

WILDER

In sweet memory of my father, Henry Mitchell Wilder, of Pelham, Ga., who slipped away from this world of sorrow to go home Monday night, October 17, 1949. It was sad to give him up, yet we have the glorious assurance he is forever at rest in that sweet home of the soul. He was eighty-two years old. He left to mourn his parting, his wife, 2 brothers, 1 sister, 1 daughter, 7 grandchildren, and 3 great-grandchildren.—Mrs. Joe C. Sellers, Pelham, Ga.

FORD

John Paul Ford departed this life July 3, 1950, at the age of 61 years.

He had been attending the Church of God since 1929. He was a Sunday School teacher, and it was his great joy to help his teacher, Zeno C. Tharp, Jr., to get the Sunday School banners, especially the offering banner, every Sunday.

His funeral was conducted by Rev. A. V.

THE RESURRECTION

Is it true that Jesus was so changed after His resurrection that His disciples did not recognize Him? Among the facts relating to Jesus' meeting the disciples on the road to Emmaus, as recorded in Luke 24, is that giving the reason why the disciples did not recognize Jesus as related in the words "Their eyes were holden that they should not know him." It was the disciples that were changed, temporarily, and not Jesus. When the disciples' eyes were opened, they knew Him. Later, Jesus met a large number of disciples in a closed room. They thought He was a spirit. He told them, "A spirit hath not flesh and bones, as ye see me have." He told them to look at His hands and feet, where His wounds were. Then He asked, "Have ye here any meat?" and they gave Him food to eat. He showed that it was the same body that He had before His death.

Will we have the same kind of body after our resurrection as we had before? In I Corinthians 15, we find the facts about that. Paul writes, "Some man will say, How are the dead raised up? and with what body do they come?" Then Paul gives an illustration. It is, he states, as when you sow a seed in the ground. That seed does not come up, "but God giveth it a body as it hath pleased him." The body "is sown in corruption; it is raised in incorruption . . . it is sown a natural body; it is raised a spiritual body." This means that when we are buried we shall never see that body again. What good news that will be to many. "As we have borne the image of the earthy, we shall also bear the image of the heavenly." That is what happens to those who are dead. Verses 50-55 tell us about what will happen to those who are living at that time. They shall be changed "in a moment, in the twinkling of an eye, at the last trump," to a spiritual, heavenly, incorruptible body. Praise God!

—John D. Baker.

THE INCOMPARABLE CHRIST

He came from the bosom of the Father to the bosom of a woman.

He put on humanity that we might put on divinity.

He became the Son of Man that we might become the sons of God.

He left the region where the rivers never freeze, winds never blow, frosts never bite, flowers never fade; where no doctors are needed, because no one is ever sick; where graveyards never haunt, death never comes, where no funerals are ever conducted.

He was born contrary to the laws of nature,

Coker, and the singing was conducted by Rev. M. D. Harwood.

He is survived by his precious wife, two daughters, his eighty-five-year-old mother, three grandchildren, two brothers, and a host of relatives and friends.

HESLER

Sister Lillie Hesler, age 62 years, went to be with Jesus July 14, 1950. She was a member of the Church of God in Norwood, Ohio. She was a precious saint of God and loved by everyone. Her only daughter went to be with Jesus March 3, 1949. She also was a member of the same church. We feel that heaven had another great name-coming for Mom Hesler and Sister Lillian, her daughter. Our loss is heaven's gain. She leaves two sisters, one stepson, one stepdaughter, and a host of Christian friends.—Sister Frances Tucker.

VALENTINE

Litton Benton Valentine, of Rayville, La., departed this life June 27, 1950, at the age of 65 years and 5 months. He was a faithful member of the Church of God at Archibald, La., and was loved by all who knew him.

He was hurt in a car wreck and lived just two weeks and one day.

His last testimony was that he was ready to go. He is survived by his wife, two daughters, one stepdaughter, three brothers, and four sisters. He is missed by his church, as he was a regular attendant of regular services and Sunday School and always stood by the church program in every way. The funeral was conducted by his pastor, Rev. John W. Blow, assisted by his former pastor, Rev. T. O. Taylor. His body was laid to rest in the family cemetery at Grayson, La.—John W. Blow, Pastor.

lived in poverty and reared in obscurity; only once did He ever cross the boundaries of His own small country; He had no wealth or influence, training or education, and whose parents knew nothing of the niceties of social tradition.

In infancy He startled a king; in boyhood, puzzled the wise; in manhood, ruled the course of nature.

He healed the multitudes without medicine, and made no charge for His services.

He never wrote a book, yet all the libraries of the world could not contain all the books that could be written about Him.

He never wrote a song, and yet He has provided the themes for more songs than all earthly writers combined.

He never founded a college, yet all the schools of earth have not had the students that sat at His feet.

He never practiced medicine, yet has healed more broken hearts than the world has ever taken note of.

He never marched an army, never drafted a soldier, or fired a gun, yet no leader has ever had the volunteers who, under His orders, made rebels stack arms and surrender at His command, never firing a shot.

He is the Star of astronomy, the Rock of geology, the Lamb and Lion of zoology, the Harmonizer of all discords, and the Healer of all diseases.

Great men have come and gone; He lives on. Herod could not kill Him; Satan could not seduce Him; death could not destroy Him; and the grave could not hold Him.

He laid aside His purple robe for a peasant's gown.

He was rich, but for our sake became poor that we might be rich.

How poor? Ask Mary! Ask the wise men!

He slept in another's manger; He rode another's beast; He was buried in another's tomb.

All others have failed; He never.

The ever perfect One; the Chief among ten thousand, altogether lovely.

THE INCOMPARABLE CHRIST.

—Cross and Flag.

A PRAYER

"O Lord, who hast graciously allowed us recompense for our labors, make me a faithful steward of that part of Thy revenue committed to my charge, that I may give Thy servants their portion of meat in due season, and that I may not feed myself or family with that which belongs to Thee."—Sacra Privata.

HUMILITY

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keep your heart humble; you will treat humble people with kindness and love.

We read the narrative in John 13 of that supper, after which Jesus taught His disciples a marvelous lesson in humility. After the meal had ended, He arose very quietly and made preparations for washing the disciples' feet.

Jesus washed the feet of His disciples and thereby gave a great lesson in humility—the Lord and Master of the disciples washing their feet. He taught them by example that they should also be humble.

When He came to Peter, Peter was ashamed to let his Lord perform such a lowly service for him. Probably Peter was thinking of the Master's greatness and of his own unworthiness, for he said, "Lord, dost thou wash my feet?" and then, later Peter said, "Thou shalt never wash my feet." We can imagine Peter's remorse when Jesus replied, "If I wash thee not, thou hast no part with me." How ashamed Peter must have been at his own failure to understand the meaning of his Lord. After being horrified at the thought of having no "part," no fellowship with Jesus, Peter

cried and said, "Lord, not my feet only, but my hands and my head." Peter was slow to understand spiritual lessons, and patiently Jesus had to make it clear to Peter, as to a little child, the meaning of the humility that He was giving to them.

The example He was leaving for His own to imitate was the service of love performed in humility. He would have His followers also willing to serve their brethren and to have fellowship with them in Christ. If Jesus could kneel and wash the feet of others in lowly service, then why should you and I be too proud to do the same?

Pride hinders spiritual growth and deprives one of his testimony. You and I can never give true witness for the Lord Jesus unless we put away our pride and put on the garment of humility. True humility comes from the heart. The truly humble do not force themselves to do humble service. They are yielded to the Holy Spirit who is within them, and their outward humility comes from within.

Some day the reward will come to the humble servant. It may not be that it will come in an expected way, but it will surely come, for hath God not said, "By humility and the power of the Lord are riches, and honour, and life"?

REQUESTS for Prayer . . .

Pray For:

A very urgent special request; my grandmother.—A Friend.

Healing of my body; another urgent request.—Reader.

An unspoken request; complete healing of my daughter of epilepsy; my healing.—Mrs. T. E. Nicholson, Fort Payne, Ala.

My two sons who do not have the Holy Ghost.—Mrs. Douglas Bain, Rt. 1, Sparta, Tenn.

My husband to be saved; me to receive the Holy Ghost.—Mrs. Sam Cook, Homerville, Ga.

God to undertake about my baby.—Mrs. W. F. Grant, Greer, S. C.

My healing of thrombosis; Brother and Sister Roberts of Toledo.—Mrs. Evelyn Wood, 1834½ Erie Street, Toledo, Ohio.

My healing of stomach trouble; my daughter; my husband who has been sick for three years.—Mrs. K. C. Farmer, Rt. 1, Dalton, Ga.

A very special unspoken request; our revival at Tallapoosa.—Mrs. W. F. Gentry, 7 Kilas Street, Tallapoosa, Ga.

My unsaved loved ones.—Sister Lola Finch, Rt. 2, Box 433, Henderson, N. C.

My daddy to be healed and saved.—Mrs. A. J. Lowe, Fonde, Ky.

My son who is in trouble; my family to be saved; healing of my body.—Mrs. Dullie Hensley, Old Port, N. C.

My husband and daughter to be saved.—Mrs. Robert Hester, North Salem, Ind.

My complete healing of T. B.; my husband.—Mrs. Minnie Teague, Marked Tree, Ark.

My weak eyes to be healed.—Mrs. Zeb Wolf, Easley, S. C.

My complete healing; me to receive the Holy Ghost; my husband and other unsaved members of family; us to find a suitable location as we have to move; loved ones to be saved.—Mrs. Opal Lindley, General Delivery, Pine Bluff, Ark.

My financial condition.—A Friend.
My grandson who is two years old and cannot sit alone; his mother and daddy to be saved; my mother-in-law to be healed of asthma.—Mrs. W. H. Jenkins, Rt. 3, Albertville, Ala.

A very urgent request; the Church of God at Northfork.—A Sister in Christ.

Me and my home.—Mrs. Annie Wilson, Rt. 1, Rockmart, Ga.

My baby boy in the United States Air Force.—Mrs. Lillian Coldwell, 109 Myers Street,

Shelbyville, Tennessee.

My complete healing. I have a sore spot in my chest that I don't understand.—Mrs. Leemon May, Ferddo, Alabama.

Complete healing of my baby who was operated on when but a night old, and he is ruptured; my mother and other loved ones to be saved.—Mrs. M. L. Blanks.

My healing of low blood pressure and stomach trouble.—Vertie Harkins, Red Bird Road, Calhoun, Georgia.

Healing of my body.—Mildred Berry, Dillon, South Carolina.

God to undertake for me in a special way; my children to be saved.—George Filijun.

Me to be kept by the power of God in a trying time.—A Reader.

My daughter who must have a serious operation unless God undertakes.—Mrs. John Cooley, 2536 Bushnell Avenue, Dayton, Ohio.

Us to have a church here soon.—Oscar C. Cox, 49 Nichols Street, Wellsboro, Pennsylvania.

God to save my 4 sons and a very dear friend.—Mrs. W. L. Preston, 417 Haywood Road, Asheville, North Carolina.

My healing of nervousness and high blood pressure.—Fannie Duncan, 140 Curry St., Augusta, Georgia.

The healing of a dear friend of mine and myself.—William F. Mooney, Rt. 4, Box 151, Galax, Va.

My healing. I have been tortured in mind for four years; for my brother in Korea.—A Sister.

My healing.—Mrs. Myrtle Bruff, 421 Smith Street, Truman, Ark.

My healing of severe sick spells which I have had for a number of years.—Mrs. Corine Moss, General Delivery, Perrine, Fla.

The healing of my body of about five different things; my husband who has heart trouble.—Mrs. Drew Pierce, R. R. No. 1, Bonne Terre, Mo.

God to work out a problem in my life to His own glory.—A Child of God.

Sister N. B. Osborn, wife of the late Rev. N. B. Osborn, who is very ill. Very urgent.—Inez Anderson, Gloverville, S. C.

My husband to be healed of a stroke and kidney trouble.—Lois Minton, Poplar Bluff, Mo.

The healing of my body. I am 70 years old and have been stricken with paralysis for the last 23 years. I also have arthritis in my left hip and leg. Am almost totally

helpless.—T. J. Hicks, 1306 9th Avenue, West Huntsville, Ala.

My husband to be saved, and that God will give us a happy home; a serious problem I am confronting; my baby.—A Sister in Christ.

Healing for my body.—Mildred Berry, Dillon, S. C.

The healing of my body. I am in the hospital.—Odis Smith, Box 138, Whitmire, S. C.

The healing of my body.—Mrs. Eula Lee Thornton, 801 North Worth St., Alma, Ga.

My complete healing of a severe heart attack.—E. D. Douglas, Rt. 4, Box 44, Eastman, Ga.

My head.—A. R. Willingham, Rt. 1, Bauxite, Ark.

The boys of the Armed Forces, especially those who are now serving in the Far East.—Cpl. Euvern E. Sullivan, Rt. 6, Louisville, Mississippi (Home Address), now somewhere in Japan: 610th AC&W Squadron, APO 929-3, c/o Postmaster, San Francisco, Calif.

My unsaved son who is expecting to leave for service; healing of my body and grace for a terrible trial I am undergoing; my husband.—Mrs. W. W. Jones, Rt. 2, State Line, Miss.

A special unspoken request.—Pansy Beasley, Howey in the Hills, Fla.

My healing of a very serious condition which I think is cancer.—Elizabeth Lowe, Fonde, Ky.

My healing of an abscess in my mouth.—Lebbie Dentim, 2302 East 23rd Street, Chattanooga, Tenn.

A very special unspoken request.—A Sister in Christ.

My daughter-in-law who is on the verge of a nervous breakdown.—Mrs. Bettie Wright, Holcomb, Miss.

My healing of heart trouble and low blood pressure, also I need a closer walk with the Lord.—Mrs. Lilly Hargis, Box 146, Chesapeake, W. Va.

Our youth revival which began July 16. Many need the Holy Ghost. Pray that God will send us a mighty outpouring of His Spirit.—Nadyne Clouse, 1520 Washington Avenue, Terre Haute, Ind.

Silvanus Truman, of Sylvester, W. Va., who has leakage of the heart; Daphne Cathrell, who has asthma.—French Cathrell, Seth, West Va.

My home; God to undertake for my daughter and son-in-law.—Mrs. John Graves, Rt. 1, Sparks, Ga.

A situation in which only God can undertake.—Bessie Austin, Albany, Ga.

My backlidden son and his wife; the healing of his body and his children; financial needs.—Iva Tucker Mooring, Linden, Ala.

The healing of my body.—Mrs. C. K. Puffenberger.

My head to be healed.—Wayne Adcock, Acinsville, Ga.

Us; we are in trouble and only God can help us to do right; my children who are unsaved; my afflicted companion; my son-in-law; his mother and father.—Bessie Austin, 514 11th St., Albany, Ga.

A very special unspoken request; my unsaved husband and children.—Your sister in the Lord.

An urgent unspoken request; my unsaved companion who needs God badly.—Mrs. J. H. Evans, 631 S. W. 61st Avenue, Miami 44, Fla.

Me to be healed of stomach trouble.—Rebecca Ragsdale, Sumiton, Alabama.

My husband to be saved, also his brother; complete healing of my body.—Mrs. Mae Martin, Albany, Georgia.

My son to be saved and healed.—Arlena Lewis, Cusseta, Ala.

My brother who is lost in sin and seems tired of life.—Miss Alberta Cooper, Lockhart, S. C.

My broken home.—Mrs. Lorene Jones, Enaley, Ala.

Brother Halton to be healed of cancer.—Rev. W. D. Kendall, Coffeeville, Miss.

My husband to be saved; my little girl and me to be healed of very bad sinus trouble.—Mrs. Clifford Ward, Juniper, Ga.

Mrs. G. M. Walker to be healed; my husband to be healed of heart trouble.—Mrs. Newton Smith, Fitzgerald, Ga.

Ernest Zimmerlin to be healed of a heart condition.—A Friend.

Our family; God to heal a sore in my mouth; my husband to receive the Holy Ghost.—Mrs. Bernice Brinlow, Donaldsonville, Ga.

The healing of my body.—Mrs. W. S. Bailey, Batesville, Ark.

God to heal me.—Mrs. Lonie Terry, Texarkana, Tex.

Brother Bob McCain who is very low and is fully trusting God.—Dovie Coats, Epps, La.

A very close friend to be healed of a heart attack; the healing of my body.—Mrs. W. M. Wadsworth, Albany, Ga.

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